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In re the Application of: MIYAMOTO, et al.

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: August 29, 2002

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2002 for two months from June 29, 2002 to August 29, 2002.

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